

REMARKS**Summary of the Ex Parte Quayle Office Action**

The Ex Parte Quayle Office Action indicates that this application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters.

Claims 17-30 should be canceled. Correction is required.

Claims 2, 5-7 and 9 stand objected to because of alleged informalities. Correction is required.

Claims 1-16 are allowed.

Summary of the Response to the Office Action

Applicant has amended claims 2, 5-7 and 9 to differently describe embodiments of the disclosure of the instant application and/or to improve the form of the claims. Applicant has canceled claims 17-30 without prejudice or disclaimer in light of the Office Action's indication that these claims should be canceled. New claims 31-33 have been added in light of the amendments to the dependencies of claims 5 and 6. Accordingly, claims 1-16 and 31-33 are currently pending for consideration.

Claims Objected

Claims 2, 5-7 and 9 stand objected to because of alleged informalities. Applicant has amended claims 2, 5-7 and 9 in light of the Examiners comments at page 2 of the Office Action. The Examiner is thanked for the helpful suggested amendments. With regard to the Examiner's suggested amendments to dependent claims 5 and 6, Applicant has instead opted to amend each

of these claims to be dependent on “claim 2 or 3” in a manner similar to the dependency of original claim 4. As a result, new dependent claims 31-33 have been added in light of the amendments to the dependencies of claims 5 and 6. These new claims should be entered at this time because they are only being presented to respond to the Office Action’s requirement for correction regarding the dependencies of original claims 5 and 6 and to ensure that no multiple dependent claim depends from another multiple dependent claim in this application.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to claims 2, 5-7 and 9, and the associated requirement for correction, is respectfully requested. Also, in light of the cancellation of claims 17-30, withdrawal of the objection to claims 17-30, and the associated requirement for correction, is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

The Examiner is thanked for the indication that claims 1-16 are allowed. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, withdrawal of the objections and allowance of all pending claims 1-16 and newly-added dependent claims 31-33 are earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant’s undersigned representative to expedite prosecution. A favorable action is awaited.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including

any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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